## **STATUS OF CLAIMS:**

The original U.S. Patent No. 6,440,420 (hereinafter the '420 patent) contains 19 claims. In this reissue application, the original claims (i.e., claims 1-19) are not sought to be amended. New claims 20-24 are sought to be added. Upon entry of this amendment, claims 1-24 will be pending.

## **SUPPORT FOR PATENT CHANGES:**

Support for new claim 20 can be found on col. 7, lines 55-61 of Example 2 (<u>i.e.</u>, the pressure vessel for SCF-CO<sub>2</sub> at a temperature of 32°C), col. 11, lines 28-33 of Example 8 (<u>i.e.</u>, the pressure vessel for SCF-CO<sub>2</sub> at a temperature of 38°C), col. 12, lines 4-9 of Example 9 (<u>i.e.</u>, the pressure vessel for SCF-CO<sub>2</sub> at a temperature of 45°C), and col. 12, lines 42-47 of Example 10 (<u>i.e.</u>, the pressure vessel for SCF-CO<sub>2</sub> at a temperature of 40°C) of the '420 patent.

Support for new claim 21 can be found on col. 12, lines 4-9 of Example 9 (i.e., the pressure vessel for SCF-CO<sub>2</sub> at a temperature of 45°C).

Support for new claim 22 can be found on col. 12, lines 42-47 of Example 10 (i.e., the pressure vessel for SCF-CO<sub>2</sub> at a temperature of 40°C).

Support for new claim 23 can be found on col. 11, lines 28-33 of Example 8 (i.e., the pressure vessel for SCF-CO<sub>2</sub> at a temperature of 38°C).

Support for new claim 24 can be found on col. 7, lines 55-61 of Example 2 (i.e., the pressure vessel for SCF-CO<sub>2</sub> at a temperature of 32°C).

Applicant respectively submits that new claims 20-24 are fully supported by the specification of '420 patent. No new matter has been introduced. Additionally, Applicant respectfully submits that this re-issue application is filed for the purpose of adding claims that are directed to the operational temperature of the SCF-CO<sub>2</sub> apparatus at between 32°C and 45°C. Applicant respectfully submits that through errors without deceptive intention, such range of temperature was not specially claimed in the '420 patent. To the best of Applicant's research endeavor and knowledge, such range of temperature is preferred over a higher temperature in terms of producing an oleaginous product that is transparent and contains the special fragrance of Ganoderma spores.

In view of the foregoing, the claims are in condition for allowance, early notice of which is requested. Should the application not be passed for issuance, the examiner is requested to contact the applicant's attorney to resolve the problem.

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